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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Patent Application of

Katsuyuki SAITO et al.

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Examiner: Senfi, Behrooz M

For: ENDOSCOPIC IMAGING SYSTEM MAKING IT POSSIBLE TO DETACHABLY ATTACH EXPANSION
UNIT HAVING EXTERNAL EXPANSION FACILITY AND ADD EXPANSION FACILITY FOR
IMPROVING CAPABILITY OF SYSTEM

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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COMMUNICATION

Sir:

On April 8, 2005 an Office Action, in the nature of a Restriction Requirement was mailed to the applicant.

Prior to April 22, 2005, the undersigned representative of applicant has spoken with the Examiner, Mr. Behrooz Senfi and was informed that a new Restriction Requirement will be issued because the outstanding Restriction Requirement refers to claims which are not pending in the application. The only claims which should be addressed are claims 21-32.

Under these conditions, issuance of a new Office Action is requested. No fee should be charged on this matter because the undersigned has timely and promptly contacted the Examiner and has been waiting for the issuance of a new Restriction Requirement since April 22, 2005.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 6, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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